

WEATHER: Rain Friday, Saturday fair and cold; Fresh south-east winds, shifting to northwest.

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COMPANY'S COMPROMISE ON POLICY

Alexander and Hyde Were Both Re-Elected.

CONTROL OF 400 MILLION INVOLVED

Policy Holders May Vote for Directors.

CONTEST WAS A PROTRACTED ONE AND AROUSED GREATEST INTEREST ALL OVER COUNTRY. ALEXANDER'S RECOMMENDATIONS WERE ENDORSED.

New York, Feb. 16.—James W. Alexander and James H. Hyde were re-elected president and vice-president, respectively, to-day of the Equitable Life Assurance Society at an adjourned meeting of directors. All of the other officers whose terms expired were also elected.

A resolution adopted, recommending that policy holders be given the right to vote for directors and a committee, including both chief officers, was appointed to carry out this step, which is practically the policy of mutualization recommended by President Alexander.

The results were reached after a protracted session and are regarded as a final compromise in which the contending factions met half way.

GREAT INTEREST CENTERED IN ELECTION BEFORE MEETING.

New York, Feb. 16.—The crucial point in a contest involving the control of four hundred millions of dollars will be reached this afternoon when the directors of the Equitable Life Assurance Society meet to consider the question of changing the association from a stock to a mutual company.

On one side is James H. Hyde, vice-president and holder of a majority of the society's capital stock, while arrayed against him is President James W. Alexander, of the Association, together with thirty-eight officers of the society. President Alexander and his supporters have proposed a plan to change the association from a stock to a mutual company. Their proposition, it is agreed to, Mr. Hyde's friends declare, would practically eliminate Mr. Hyde from the management of the company, even though his majority holdings of the stock of the company was retained. It was said that the reorganization contemplated the retirement of Mr. Hyde as vice-president.

Both Mr. Hyde and President Alexander had given out statements prior to today's meeting defending their respective positions, and it was apparent from those that the position of the opposing interests were widely separated. Mr. Hyde had declared that while he favored the mutual plan to a certain extent, he had no intention whatever of giving up control of the company. President Alexander's statement declared that Mr. Hyde's retirement was a matter of first importance to all of those interested in the association.

Directors who are affiliated with both sides attempted yesterday and early today to bring about an agreement. So far as known, however, no compromise has been effected.

It is said that at the meeting of the directors a week ago Mr. Hyde offered to place 510 shares which he controls in the hands of the directorate for five years. These shares, at par, is but \$51,000, are held by Mr. Hyde, his mother and his sister, Mrs. Sidney Dillon Ripley. This offer was refused. Mr. Hyde has suggested a plan looking to the mutualization of the society. This plan provides for the appointment of a representative committee, the composition of the committee to be such that no charges of one man can be made against it. The Hyde party also offered, through its counsel, to mutualize the company and then have the board of directors directly responsible to the policy holders for the active management. This plan was also rejected, the opposite side claiming that as the majority of the directors were appointed by the Hyde interests, the obvious result would be to strengthen Mr. Hyde.

CREMATE YELLOW FEVER VICTIM

BODY OF GERMAN SAILOR WHO DIED IN NEW YORK TO BE BURNED.

New York, Feb. 16.—Frank Bill, a German sailor, who was removed from the steamer Orizaba last Friday, suffering from yellow fever, is dead in Swanton Hospital. His body will be cremated.

ONLY ONE MORE WITNESS FOR SWAYNE'S PROSECUTION

HOUSE MANAGERS WILL THEN REST THEIR CASE AND DEFENSE WILL PROCEED—ONLY TWO WITNESSES EXAMINED YESTERDAY AND SENATE SPENT OVER TWO HOURS IN LEGAL DISCUSSION.

Washington, Feb. 16.—Aside from two hours spent in routine business, the senate to-day gave its entire attention to the Swayne trial.

Two hours and a half in the case were spent behind closed doors considering the admissibility of the statement made by Judge Swayne before the committee of the house. The point argued at length by several lawyers of the senate involved the construction of the statute of 1862, which provides that a statement by the witness before the congressional committee cannot be used against him in a criminal proceeding in court. It was contended by some that impeachment proceedings are not criminal in character and that the senate is not a court in the sense contemplated in the law.

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Russians and Japs Entertain Each Other On Firing Line

Mukden, Feb. 15.—(Delayed.)—The Japanese fired Tuesday and to-day on Poutloff hill with eight inch guns, indicating that they are using siege guns brought from Port Arthur. The general situation appears more complicated by the battle of Sande Pass and the indications of early spring.

At some points of the line unusual familiarity is witnessed in the form of Russian and Japanese officers in parties entertaining each other. At Sinchinpu the Japanese cheered a Russian band.

Vladivostok Blockaded. New York, Feb. 16.—A Herald dispatch from St. Petersburg says that Vladivostok is closely blockaded by Admiral Urius's fleet.

Non-Combatants. Chefoo, Feb. 16.—A steamer with one hundred and seventeen non-combatants arrived here to-day from Port Arthur. Very few non-combatants now remain at that place.

Convalescent soldiers totalling 2,500 will begin arriving at Chefoo February 20. The local Russians are indignant, claiming that they are unable to care for the healthy, let alone invalids. The Japanese say they lack means of transportation to take the invalids to Shanghai.

Fatal Affray. St. Petersburg, Feb. 16.—A telegram from St. Petersburg reports that a fatal affray has occurred between Russians and Chinese at a village forty miles northwest of Seachtun, where a party of Russians went on a foraging expedition. The villagers seized the Chinese interpreter with the Russians and a fight ensued, during which the Chinaman was killed. The villagers killed the interpreter and fled.

Russian Ministerial Changes. St. Petersburg, Feb. 16.—Many rumors are current of ministerial and military changes including a report that War Minister Shakhovtsov may be sent to relieve General Kuropatkin and also one to the effect that M. Bouligan, minister of the interior, is not in sympathy with the situation and may retire in favor of General Trepoft, governor general of St. Petersburg. The successor of M. Mauraviev, former minister of justice, has not yet been appointed. Almost anything is likely to happen but nothing definite can be ascertained.

M. Annensky, editor of Russian Wealth, who was arrested simultaneously with Maxim Gorky, the author and reform leader, was released yesterday. Upon his appearance before a scientific society last night he was received with great enthusiasm.

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ROOSEVELT IS AFTER THE OIL KINGS

Standard Oil Affair Will be Probed to Bottom.

OIL MAGNATES WILL NOT TALK

Rogers and Rockefeller Nothing to Say.

INVESTIGATIONS WILL BEGIN IN KANSAS AND THEN BE TRANSFERRED TO TEXAS—PRESIDENT IS IN EARNEST ABOUT THE MATTER WHICH HOUSE RESOLUTION TOOK UP WEDNESDAY.

Washington, Feb. 16.—President Roosevelt has directed the commissioner of corporations of the department of commerce and labor to begin immediately an investigation of the crude oil and petroleum situation as reported by the house resolution which was yesterday adopted unanimously.

The investigation is to be complete and comprehensive. The president directed his letter to Commissioner Garfield, and in it he gives directions and outlines his views. The scope of the investigation cannot be indicated now, but it is believed that the investigation of the situation in the Kansas fields will be made first and will later be extended to the operations of the Standard Oil Company in Beaumont, Texas oil fields.

ROCKEFELLER AND ROGERS BOTH DECLINE TO TALK.

New York, Feb. 16.—John D. Rockefeller, head of the Standard Oil Company, who is now in Lakewood, N. J., has been informed of the action taken by the house of representatives requesting the secretary of commerce and labor to investigate the crude oil and petroleum situation, with special reference to recent developments in the Kansas field. Mr. Rockefeller received the news with considerable interest, but declined to make any comment.

Officials of the company in this city also were disinclined to discuss the matter. H. H. Rogers said:

"In view of the limited information which has reached me and the fact that the Standard Oil Company is already the subject of inquiry, I can say nothing regarding the matter. I am unacquainted with the nature of the investigation which has been set on foot. In any event, I cannot see the propriety of a statement at this time."

DIVORCE EVERY 12 MINUTES

NEW YORK JUDGE GRANTS SEVENTEEN DECREES AT THIS RATE.

New York, Feb. 16.—Judge Fitzgerald, in the supreme court, has established a new record for disposing of undenied divorce cases. Seventeen cases were granted at the rate of one every twelve minutes. Most of the applicants were foreigners.

UNION AND CONFEDERATE FLAGS WILL BE RETURNED

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS AGREES THAT WAR TROPHIES IN WAR DEPARTMENT MAY BE RETURNED TO STATES FROM WHICH THEY CAME.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The house committee on military affairs to-day authorized a favorable report on the joint resolution providing that the

Union and Confederate flags in the custody of the war department be returned to the proper authority in the states in which the regiments which bore the flags were organized.

Southern Dentists Organize in Atlanta

Atlanta, Feb. 16.—Dentists from all sections of the South met here to-day and organized what will be known as the Chapin Harris Dental Society. The name was chosen to avoid any suggestion of sectionalism and in honor of the president of the first dental college in America. The officers chosen were: Dr. M. C. Marshall, of St.

Louis, president; Dr. B. Holly Smith, of Baltimore, vice-president; Dr. M. D. Huff, recording secretary; Dr. Delos Hill, corresponding secretary, and Dr. H. R. Jewett, treasurer. The last three are of Atlanta. A generous support of the new organization is promised by those not present from all parts of the South.

Attorney Patrick May Still Escape Execution

New York, Feb. 16.—A committee selected by the Medico-Legal Society to investigate the cause of death of William Marsh Rice, the aged millionaire, who died in 1900 and for whose murder Attorney Albert T. Patrick has been awaiting execution thirty-five months, has made its report.

The committee furnished replies to a list of hypothetical questions and asserts, in substance, that Valet Chas. Jones made a misstatement when he testified to having administered chloroform to Rice. The assertion is

made that such an amount of chloroform as was said to have been used would have left an odor which would have been detected hours afterwards.

In reply to the question as to whether embalming fluid would produce congestion of the lungs resembling that caused by chloroform, the committee claims it could not, but that a condition so nearly like true congestion might follow that it could only be distinguished by bacteriological examination.

Patrick's appeal probably will come up in court at the March term.

General Wallace Will Be Buried Saturday

Crawfordsville, Ind., Feb. 16.—Arrangements were completed to-day for the funeral of General Lew Wallace. The body will lie in the library of the residence three hours to-morrow afternoon and the funeral will be held Saturday, and be private. The state

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PRESIDENT RULE THE CANAL ZONE

House Passes a Bill Giving Him Full Swing.

COMMISSION IS ABOLISHED

Frequent Reports to Be Made

BILL MAKES NO PROVISION AS TO WHETHER CANAL SHALL BE A SEA-LEVEL OR LOCK-LEVEL WATERWAY—INHABITANTS ARE PROTECTED IN RELIGION AND LIBERTY.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The house passed the Mann bill to-day without further discussion, giving all the right of government of the Canal Zone to the president until the end of the next congress.

The bill provides that the government shall be so excised as to protect the inhabitants in the free enjoyment of liberty and religion. It abolishes the canal commission and places the work of construction in the hands of the president or such persons as he may employ. It does not undertake to say whether the canal shall be constructed as a sea-level or a lock-level waterway.

Frequent reports of the expenditure of money to the president and to congress are required. Annual estimates of the money required for the work are to be made and the bill declares that after June 30, 1906, no money shall be expended on the canal or in the Canal Zone excepting in accordance with appropriations hereafter to be made, thus doing away with the lump sum appropriation carried by the existing law.

N. Y. PAWNBROKER PLEADS GUILTY

HE WILL GO TO PRISON FOR RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS.

New York, Feb. 16.—Edward M. Harlam, one of the wealthiest pawnbrokers in the city, has pleaded guilty to an indictment charging him with being a receiver of stolen goods. He was remanded to prison to await sentence.

Affidavits are said to be in the possession of the district attorney showing that some person had offered to pay two city detectives \$10,000 each and another man \$5,000 if they would arrange evidence which would have shifted the case toward an innocent person, an ignorant foreigner having been selected. In the latter's room it was proposed to place a quantity of stolen silk, some of which figured in the case.

MIDSHIPMAN DESERTS NAVY

IS CAPTURED AND NOW LIES A PRISONER ON U. S. S. HANDCOCK.

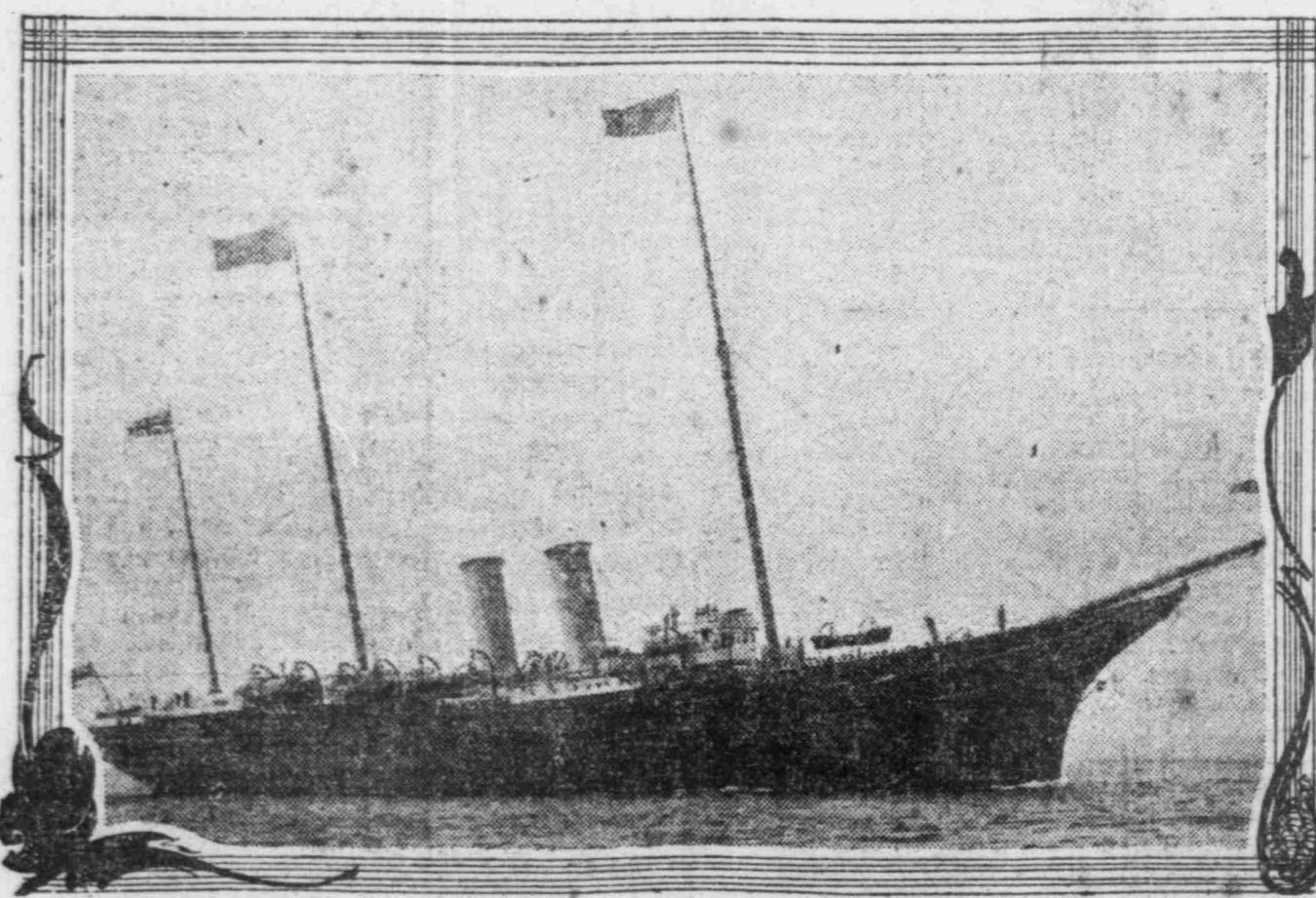
New York, Feb. 16.—Midshipman Milton W. Arrowood, of Burlington, N. C., who disappeared from the battleship Kearsarge on January 6 and was apprehended in this city, is now on board the Hancock at the navy yard in Brooklyn awaiting the decision of the judge advocate general in his case.

Arrowood tendered his resignation to the navy department just as he was about to complete the two years' cruise following graduation from the naval academy. Its acceptance was refused and the midshipman left the battleship. He came directly to New York and secured employment.

HORSE RAN AWAY AND SPILLED OUT DRIVER.

A horse attached to a buggy and driven by Leon Levi, who was accompanied by Harvey Gugenheim, ran away on Palafox street yesterday, climbed the hill, ran east to Tarragona, south to Zarragossa, west to Palafox, and south on Palafox to the wharf, where he finally concluded to stop. Harvey Gugenheim managed to get out of the rear of the wagon and the driver, Levi, was spilled when the animal made a turn at the top of the hill. Neither of the occupants was injured, and the wagon was not damaged in the least.

King Edward to go Calling.



KING EDWARD'S PRIVATE YACHT.

King Edward of England, is making preparations for a rather extensive program of visits to friendly nations and sovereigns. These will be made for the most part in his costly new private yacht.